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canceled* one conducting element for each carbon brush which electrically contacts the carbon brush to the electronic unit, wherein, prior to assembly of the motor-driven pump unit, the conducting element maintains the carbon brush within the guide element.

16. (Amended) A motor-driven pump unit according to claim 14, wherein the at least one carbon brush and the guide element are encompassed in the electronic unit.

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CMT* 17. (Amended) A motor-driven pump unit according claim 16, wherein the electronic unit has at least two carbon brushes, which are effective parallel to a rotary axis of a rotating shaft of the motor unit.

18. (Amended) A motor-driven pump unit according claim 17, wherein the carbon brushes are arranged in alignment with a commutator having a contact surface that is at a right angle to a rotary axis of the motor shaft.

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CMT* 24. (Amended) A motor-driven pump unit according to claim 23, wherein said at least two protruding arms are arranged concentrically to the rotary axis of the motor shaft.

25. (Amended) A motor-driven pump unit according to claim 24, wherein the protruding arms extend parallel to the axis of the motor shaft in the direction of the motor.

REMARKS

Claims 14 and 16-24 will be pending in this application after entry of this amendment. Claim 15 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 14 has been amended as described below. Claims 16-18, 24 and 25 have been amended to correct typographical errors, correct incorrect dependency, or otherwise improve readability of the claims. No new matter has been added. By action taken here, Applicants in no way intend to surrender any range of equivalents beyond that needed to patentably distinguish the claimed invention as a whole over the prior art. Applicants expressly reserve all such equivalents that may fall in the range between Applicants' literal claim recitations and combinations taught or suggested by the prior art.